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Lewis & Clark County

Located in western Montana, Lewis & Clark County is Montana's sixth most populous with 47,495 residents, according to the 1990 Census.

Helena, the county seat and state capital, is the state's fifth largest city with a population of 25,070. The city is located at the junction of Interstate 15 and U.S. Highways 12 and 287, halfway between Glacier and Yellowstone National Parks.

According to the *Montana Almanac,* by authors Andrea Merrill and Judy Jacobson, the county was established in 1865, was one of the first nine territorial counties and was originally named Edgerton County for the first territorial Governor Sidney Edgerton. The authors say Helena was named after Helena, Minnesota, by former resident of Minnesota John Somerville.

According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, median income for Lewis and Clark County households in 1989 was $26,409. The county is 3,497.6 square miles in area; 3,461 square miles in land area and 36.6 in inland water area.

County residents experience the four distinct seasons. According to the *Great Falls Weather Service,* the average daily low in Helena in January between 1961 and 1990 was 9.8 degrees above zero and average January snowfall 9.2 inches. The average daily high in July was 83.8 degrees above. The annual precipitation during the same period was 11.6 inches and the growing season was from April 23 to Oct. 14.

Top 20 Private Employers In Lewis & Clark County

Listed In Alphabetical Order

Albertson's	Dick Anderson Construction	Shopko
ASARCO	Federal Reserve Bank	TRW Systems
Big Sky Care Center	Helena Healthcare Inc.	U S WEST (Qwest)
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	Independent Record	Wal-Mart
Carroll College	Mergenthaler Transfer & Storage	Watkins & Shepard Trucking
County Market	St. Peter's Hospital	West Mont
Diamond Construction	Shodair	

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau.

Second Quarter 2000 Unemployment Insurance Information.

This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to Unemployment Insurance. Railroads and city, county, state and federal government agencies (including public school districts and universities) are excluded.

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08	Forestry	1
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60	Depository Institutions	1
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Lewis & Clark County	Not Available*	54,075	53,587	47,495	Not Available	13.9%	12.8%
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Helena	Not Available	29,081	28,804	25,070	Not Available	16.0%	14.9%

Census and Economic Information Center, Montana Department of Commerce, Helena, MT 59620, 406-444-2896.
*Revised information available in April 2001.

Annual Average Labor Force For Lewis & Clark County

Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
1970	15,725	15,185	540	3.4%
1971	16,122	15,486	636	3.9%
1972	16,912	16,293	619	3.7%
1973	17,338	16,590	748	4.3%
1974	17,987	17,136	851	4.7%
1975	18,510	17,626	884	4.8%
1976	20,077	19,155	922	4.6%
1977	22,730	21,589	1,141	5.0%
1978	24,406	23,049	1,357	5.6%
1979	24,472	23,309	1,163	4.8%
1980	24,715	23,474	1,241	5.0%
1981	25,583	24,102	1,481	5.8%
1982	25,930	24,074	1,856	7.2%
1983	26,262	24,364	1,898	7.2%
1984	24,950	23,317	1,633	6.5%
1985	25,719	23,980	1,739	6.8%
1986	26,268	24,521	1,747	6.7%
1987	26,679	24,931	1,748	6.6%
1988	26,031	24,542	1,489	5.7%
1989	25,783	24,567	1,216	4.7%
1990	25,554	24,404	1,150	4.5%
1991	25,720	24,250	1,470	5.7%
1992	26,490	25,010	1,480	5.6%
1993	26,880	25,500	1,380	5.1%
1994	27,520	26,385	1,135	4.1%
1995	27,536	26,112	1,424	5.2%
1996	27,575	26,323	1,252	4.5%
1997	28,079	26,679	1,400	5.0%
1998	28,203	26,849	1,354	4.8%
1999	26,985	25,725	1,260	4.7%

Source Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau (2000 Benchmark).

Summary of Major Occupational Categories By Sex
1990 Census-Equal Employment Opportunity Data
Civilian Labor Force-All Persons

Occupation	Total	Male	Female
Total	24,365	12,582	11,783
Managerial and Professional Specialty Occupations	8,164	4,390	3,774
Executive, Administrative and Managerial Occupations	4,000	2,250	1,750
Professional Specialty Occupations	4,164	2,140	2,024
Technical, Sales and Administrative Support Occupations	7,538	2,439	5,099
Technicians and Related Support Occupations	850	432	418
Sales Occupations	2,164	1,153	1,011
Administrative Support Occupations, Including Clerical	4,524	854	3,670
Service Occupations	3,562	1,386	2,176
Private Household Occupations	73	7	66
Protective Service Occupations	332	296	36
Service Occupations, Except Protective and Household	3,157	1,083	2,074
Farming, Forestry, Fishing	618	453	165
Precision Production, Craft and Repair Occupations	2,038	1,852	186
Mechanics and Repairers	737	721	16
Construction Trade	853	798	55
Extractive Occupations	67	54	13
Precision Production Occupations	381	279	102
Operators, Fabricators and Laborers	2,342	2,020	322
Machine Operators, Assemblers and Inspectors	642	519	123
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	861	769	92
Handlers, Equipment Cleaners, Helpers and Laborers	839	732	107
Unemployed, No Recent Civilian Work Experience	103	42	61

Source U.S Bureau of the Census, Equal Employment Opportunity File, (CD-ROM).

Resources

⇒ **Chambers of Commerce:**
Helena Chamber, 225 Cruse, Helena, MT 59601, 406-442-4120
Lincoln Chamber, P. O. Box 985, Lincoln, MT 59639, 406-362-4949

⇒ **Department of Labor and Industry**
Helena Job Service
715 Front St., P. O. Box 201505, Helena, MT 59620, 406-447-3200, **http://jsd.dli.state.mt.us/local/helena/**

Helena Unemployment Claims Telephone Center
P. O. Box 201502, Helena, MT 59620-1502, 406-444-2545

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For information on employment by industry, new businesses, labor market information, profile of the Montana worker, job projections and hourly pay by occupation, contact the office at any of the numbers listed on the front of this publication or check out our Internet website at **http://rad.dli.state.mt.us/**.

⇒ **Housing Costs:**
Helena Association of Realtors. Multiple Listing Service, 1361 Elm St., Suite 5, Helena, MT 59601, 406-449-3835

⇒ **Internet:**
Montana Job Service home page for job listings at **http://jsd.dli.state.mt.us/**.
Cities and towns of Augusta, Canyon Creek, East Helena, Fort Harrison, Helena, Lincoln, Marysville and Wolf Creek Home Pages–Use the Search Utilities on the Internet to find home pages for Montana cities.

⇒ **Montana Motor Vehicle Division:**
Drivers' Licensing
Helena–2708 Billings Ave. (behind Wal-Mart), 406-443-3680

⇒ **Newspapers:**
Helena Independent Record, P. O. Box 4249, Helena, MT 59604, 406-447-4000, **http://www.helenair.com**
Blackfoot Valley Dispatch, P. O. Box 427, Lincoln, MT 59639, 406-362-4975, **http://www.smalltownpapers.com/**

⇒ **Public Libraries:**
Augusta Community Library, 205 Main Street, Augusta, MT 59410-0387, 406-562-3348
Lewis & Clark Public Library, 120 S. Last Chance Gulch, Helena, MT 59601-4133, 406-447-1690
Lincoln Community Library, 102 9th Ave. S., Lincoln, MT 59639-0480, 406-362-4300

⇒ **Postsecondary Education Institutions:**
Montana University System
Helena College of Technology of the University of Montana, 1115 Roberts St., Helena, MT 59601, 406-444-6800 or 800-241-4882, **http://www.umt.edu/hct/**
Independent College
Carroll College, 1601 N. Benton Ave., Helena, MT 59625, 406-447-4300, 800-992-3648, **http://www.carroll.edu**

⇒ **Superintendent of Schools, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:**
Auchard Creek Elementary, 9605 Highway 287, Wolf Creek, MT 59648-8637, 406-562-3528
Augusta Public Schools, P. O. Box 307, Augusta, MT 59410, 406-562-3384
Craig Elementary, 375 Augusta St., Craig, MT 59648-8738, 406-235-4239
East Helena Elementary, P. O. Box 1280, East Helena, MT 59635, 406-227-6631
Helena Public Schools, P. O. Box 5417, Helena, MT 59604, 406-447-8510
Kessler Elementary, 2420 Choteau St., Helena, MT 59601, 406-442-0150
Lincoln K-12 Schools, P. O. Box 39, Lincoln, MT 59639, 406-362-4201
Trinity Elementary, P. O. Box 523, Canyon Creek, MT 59633, 406-458-6164
Wolf Creek Elementary, Box 196, Wolf Creek, MT 59648, 406-235-4353

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Lewis & Clark County Employment By Industry*
Annual Averages 1999

Industry	# of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Paid
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	2,167	27,867	$726,966,474
PRIVATE BUSINESS	2,035	19,507	$449,585,742
AGRI, FORESTRY, FISH	39	281	$4,511,089
Agri Production/Crops	5	66	$1,076,093
Agri Production/Livestock	6	77	$1,742,437
Agriculture Services	23	114	$1,664,438
MINING	9	17	$498,751
Metal Mining	4	1	$100,179
Mining & Quarrying of Nonmetallic	3	12	$356,350
CONSTRUCTION	236	1,256	$34,765,060
General Building	66	426	$11,913,266
Heavy Construction	16	78	$2,794,323
Special Trade	154	752	$20,057,471
MANUFACTURING	66	1,023	$30,597,445
Food Products	5	76	$1,105,954
Lumber	15	56	$1,406,931
Printing-Publishing	10	298	$6,933,991
Chemicals	5	126	$5,129,402
Stone-Clay-Glass	6	69	$2,293,726
Fabricated Metal	3	9	$164,389
Nonelectrical Machinery**	4	38	$1,032,373
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	5	53	$1,152,671
TRANS., COMMUN., UTILITIES	77	1,216	$37,596,326
Local Transportation	5	107	$969,089
Trucking-Warehousing	23	332	$10,551,734
Water Transportation	5	11	$195,030
Air Transportation	8	163	$3,460,236
Transport Services	8	36	$1,067,190
Communication	19	461	$16,137,477
Elec., Gas, Sanitation	6	103	$5,101,470
WHOLESALE TRADE	92	797	$22,973,514
Durable Goods	54	388	$12,545,387
Nondurable Goods	37	408	$10,428,127
RETAIL TRADE	433	5,081	$70,674,619
Bldg Materials-Garden	26	234	$5,322,906
General Merchandise	6	700	$9,757,021
Food Stores	39	748	$11,612,721
Auto Dealers-Service Stations	63	561	$13,693,362
Apparel & Accessories	19	84	$766,179
Furniture Stores	45	230	$4,178,004
Eating & Drinking	144	1,976	$16,726,170
Miscellaneous Retail	67	544	$8,318,456
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE	197	1,841	$56,011,611
Banking	26	552	$15,440,617
Credit Agencies	16	139	$4,412,602
Security & Commodity	9	35	$2,364,287
Insurance Agents	28	150	$5,206,623
Real Estate	62	266	$4,956,711
Holding & Investments	10	49	$1,767,559
SERVICES	660	7,987	$190,012,225
Hotels & Lodging	31	377	$4,295,133
Personal Services	34	165	$2,308,964
Business Services	120	878	$21,997,109
Auto Repair Services	48	201	$4,122,429
Miscellaneous Repair Services	26	84	$2,142,544
Motion Pictures	9	72	$661,484
Amusement & Recreation	54	612	$6,258,045
Health Services	132	2,176	$61,073,732
Legal Services	47	241	$8,584,102
Educational Services	18	370	$7,647,492
Social Services	67	1,061	$16,872,930
Membership Organizations	119	791	$16,293,936
Engineering Services	123	776	$30,236,456
Private Households	21	27	$321,725
GOVERNMENT	132	8,359	$277,402,732
State	33	4,922	$155,635,050
Local	42	2,086	$59,729,580
Federal	56	1,351	$62,038,102

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research and Analysis Bureau. (Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.)
*Employment Covered by Unemployment Insurance.
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Per Capita Personal Income

	1970	1980	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Montana	$3,625	$9,143	$15,524	$16,509	$17,114	$18,072	$18,129	$18,764	$19,383	$20,167	$21,324
% of National Average	89%	90%	79%	82%	81%	83%	80%	80%	79%	78%	78%
Lewis & Clark County	$4,236	$10,362	$16,916	$17,855	$18,606	$19,386	$20,229	$21,080	$22,003	$22,742	$23,600
% of National Average	103%	102%	86%	89%	88%	89%	90%	89%	89%	88%	86%

Source U S Department of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System Released May 2000.

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1990 Census of Population and Housing

Persons by Age, Race and Sex

School Age	Whits		Black		American Indian		Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific Islander		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
5-11	5,326	2,567	13	4	148	81	26	17	113	57	26	14
12-14	1,995	951	5	2	64	32	13	6	42	21	6	5
15-17	1,951	981	5	2	66	38	10	7	32	18	6	6
18-21	2,350	1,186	6	3	67	27	30	17	39	23	7	5
Total	11,622	5,685	29	11	345	178	79	47	228	119	45	30

Working & Voting Age	White		Black		American Indian		Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific Islander		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
16+	34,719	18,016	41	18	726	385	165	103	337	180	79	40
16-64	29,284	14,859	30	13	672	355	156	98	316	171	76	37
18+	33,395	17,336	37	17	685	365	158	98	317	169	76	37
18-64	27,960	14,179	26	12	631	335	149	93	296	160	73	34

Other Age Group	White		Black		American Indian		Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific Islander		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
0-4	3,324	1,668	9	2	96	49	35	21	72	36	20	10
5-17	9,272	4,499	23	8	278	151	49	30	187	96	38	25
18-44	19,200	9,825	20	9	461	239	114	70	243	132	61	28
45-64	8,760	4,354	6	3	170	96	35	23	53	28	12	6
62+	6,510	3,697	12	6	66	40	12	6	26	11	4	3
65+	5,435	3,157	11	5	54	30	9	5	21	9	3	3
Total	45,991	23,503	69	27	1,059	565	242	149	576	301	134	72

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Equal Employment Opportunity File, (CD-ROM).

Lewis & Clark County

County of Residence	# Who Work in Lewis & Clark County	County of Work	# Who Live in Lewis & Clark County
Out of State	134	Out of State	163
Broadwater County	192	Broadwater County	24
Cascade County	90	Cascade County	97
Gallatin County	124	Gallatin County	73
Jefferson County	1,466	Jefferson County	389
Lewis & Clark County	22,026	Lewis & Clark County	22,026
Missoula County	88	Missoula County	63
Powell County	82	Silver Bow County	38
Silver Bow County	34	Other Montana Counties	88
Teton County	38		
Yellowstone County	21		
Other Montana Counties	122		

Source: 1990 Census Data provided by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.